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REMARKS

Claims 1 - 26 have been cancelled. Claims 27-47 have been added.

As all of claims 1-26 have been canceled and replaced by claims 27-47, all rejections are now moot.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the claims. It is Applicant's belief that the new claims overcome all of the previous rejections. Early notice of allowability is kindly requested.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone at 763.505.0409 or by E-mail at scott.a.marks@medtronic.com with any questions or comments.

Please grant any extension of time, if necessary for entry of this paper, and charge any fee due for such extension or any other fee required in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. <u>13-2546</u>.

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